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(Los Angeles)
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Structure Miguel Leonis Adobe (CAL-342)

History: Built ca. 1875. Miguel Leonis was a ruthless land grabber of Basque birth who came to Calif. about 1854. First employed as sheep herder by Joaquin Romera but by shrewdness and guile soon reversed the situation. Enforced his will with a private army of Mexicans and Indians and influence with the Courts. Died a violent death in 1889. Became known as King of Calabasas.

Description: Two-story adobe with attached one-story

INCL. 2 SKETCH PLANS

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wood frame addition. Adobe wall 22" thick. Two-story veranda on three sides supported by wood posts with ornamental knee-braces; balcony railing with balusters of jig-sawn boards.

References: On the Old West Coast by Major Horace Bell, 1930. Sixty Years in Southern California by Harris Newmark, 1926. History of the San Fernando Valley by Keefer, 1934.

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